

Motivation Letter to the ICANN

Subject: Application for the position of independent expert for the Second Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the DNS(SSR2) Review Team

Dear ICANN representatives,

I am sincerely interested in the volunteering position of Information Security expert for the SSR2 review team, I believe this opportunity will help me contribute to the global information security status and support a better world, while learning more about the intriguing information security challenges and problems.

Information Security Maturity is Lacking

Information security maturity in our current world is becoming a major problem, top on the list of priorities for Senior leadership and executives. Information security issues are being the cause behind espionage, national security troubles, critical infrastructure threats, large financial losses, reputation loss and business/client loss. With these new and evolving issues, there is a huge need for the development of research in this area in order to achieve better maturity. In addition due to the fact that information security and Information Technology issues are relatively new to Humanity itself, there is also a huge lack of skills in this domain.

Extensive and Varied Range of Experience

My interest in computers goes back to childhood, dissected my first malware some 13 years ago. It was my obsession, my major in university and everything afterwards; started my work in information security technologies deployment in Lebanon where I learned about securing the information infrastructures of banks, governments, mobile and internet providers... Then moved to multinational consulting where I learned on Risk assessment and penetration testing of very large entities in the Middle East, identifying their weaknesses and helping them resolve information security and privacy issues. Then moved to my current position with a top information security vendor where I participate in the investigation of advanced malware attacks related to espionage and financial loss on computer and mobile systems, some of which were published for the world to learn about, also Involved as a board member in a community around securing smart cities, trying to make future living better. Lead many training activities starting from 2011, for technology courses (CCNA Security), ethical hacking courses (CEH), Forensics and malware analysis courses for numerous entities in the MEA region, which include governments, banks, national security... Also assigned as public speaker in conferences and media, participated as speaker in more than 50 conference events and numerous media activities, such public engagements helped me learn how to deliver messages in simpler means, in multiple languages, especially to senior management and world leaders; information security issues are highly complicated, but also need to be explained simple enough for world leaders to know how to deal with them. My current position will also help me in sharing visibility over worldwide information security occurrences, the Kaspersky Lab GReAT team is a group of 40 experts living at the edge of technology, learning and discovering new things every day.

I would love to be part of SSR2 team in the hope of helping make the world a better place.

Sincerely,

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